

# Safe Routes to School Update



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### SDOT's mission



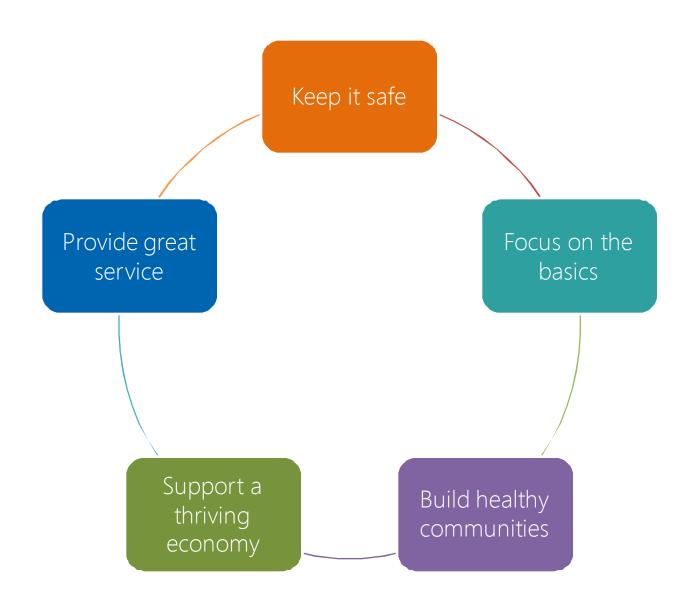
Deliver a safe and reliable transportation system that enhances Seattle's environment and economic vitality.

### SDOT's vision



A vibrant Seattle through transportation excellence.

#### SDOT's values



#### Presentation overview

- SRTS Program Overview
- Prioritization Process
- Flashing beacons and photo enforcement
- Budget
- 2014 Projects
- 2015 Projects

#### The Need



- 1. Fewer kids today walk and bike to school
- 2. Unintended consequences have resulted
- 3. SRTS programs are part of the solution

# Fewer kids biking and walking

• 1969: 42% walked

• 2001: 16% walked

 Parents driving children to school:

20%-25% of morning traffic



## Elements of SRTS programs

- Engineering
- Education
- Encouragement
- Enforcement
- Evaluation



Pedestrian Safety for Students Campaign at Bailey-Gatzert Elementary

#### Outreach

Stakeholders create and implement a Safe Routes to School Plan:

- Parents and children
- School staff
- PTA
- SDOT
- Neighbors and businesses
- School Traffic Safety
- Advocates



#### Good news!

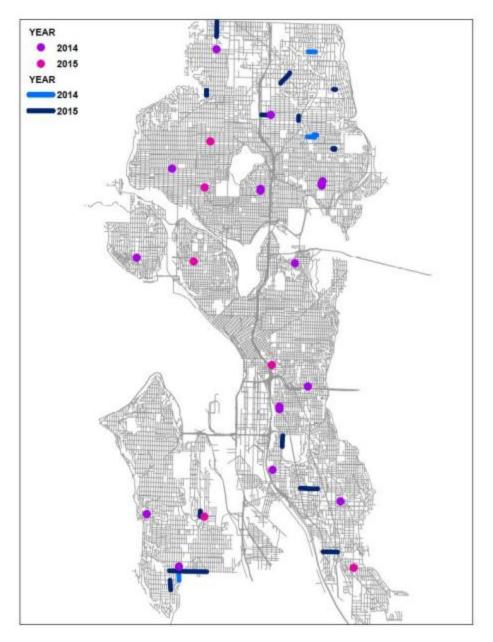
More kids are walking and biking to school in Seattle!

Walk / Bike rates have increased at 26 of 28 schools in Seattle from 2007 to 2013



## 2014-15 Projects

Where are the Safe Routes to School Projects in 2014-2015?



## 2016 Projects

How are 2016 Safe Routes to School candidates being selected?

#### Primary Factor:

 Top scoring PMP projects within 300 feet of schools



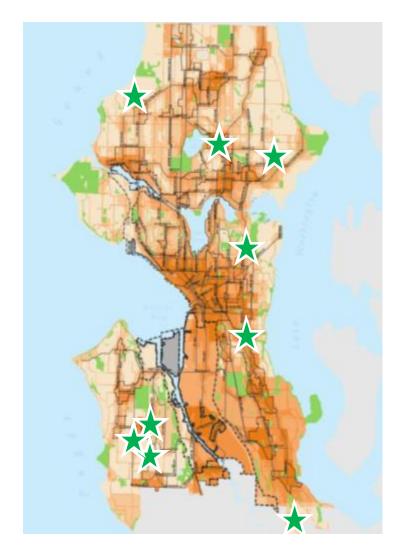


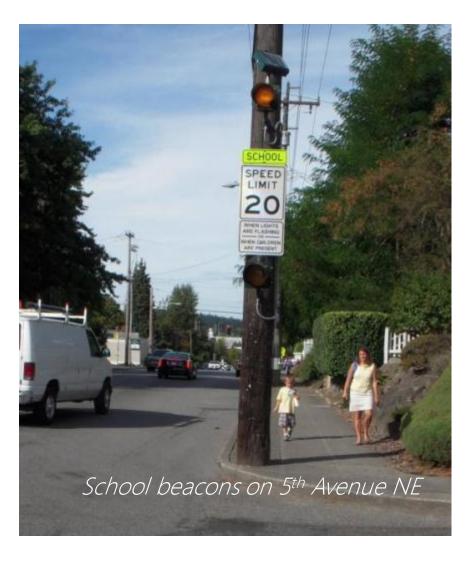
#### Other Factors:

- Geographic Balance
  - Equity
- Leveraging Opportunities

# 2014 Flashing Beacons

• 9 new locations added

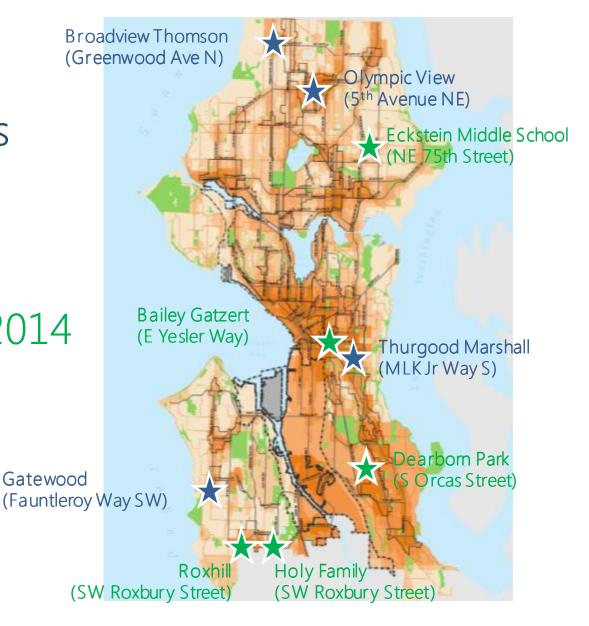




## Photo Speed Enforcement

4 existing schools

• 5 new schools in 2014





- Roughly \$9M per year
  - \$7M from Speed Cameras
  - \$1M from BTG
  - \$1M from state & federal grants



## 2014 Safe Routes to School Projects











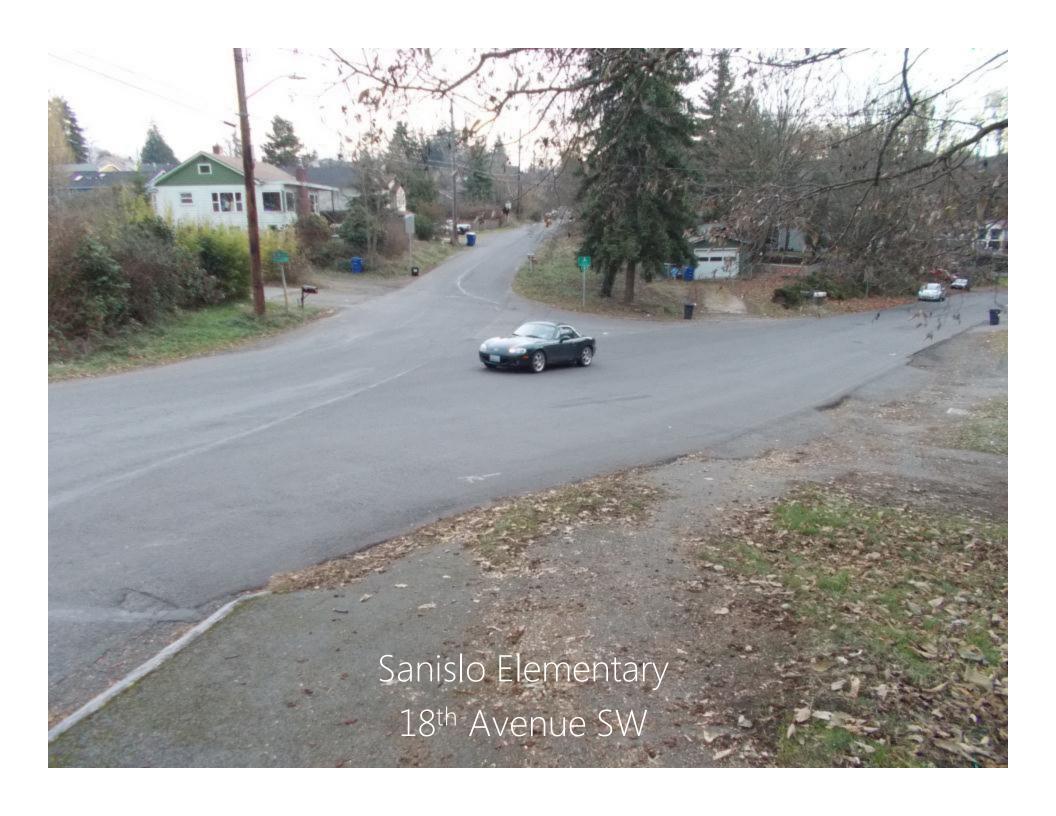
## 2015 Safe Routes to School Projects













## Questions?

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#### Thanks!

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